

Spotlight News

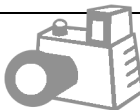
Live from the Red Carpet of Mrs. Weil's Room

March 26, 2010

Grade 3

Lincoln School

Snapshots of Our Week



Reading:

Over the last few weeks we have been reading several immigration non-fiction books. Students have been learning about the various reasons people immigrate and what the immigration process was like. We focused on learning about Ellis and Angel Islands. Students went through a virtual tour of Ellis Island viewing videos, pictures and listening to interviews of people who traveled through the immigration port.

Writing:

Students have been writing responses to immigration journal prompts. They learned how to put themselves in the shoes of an immigrant and really think about what it was like leaving their country. We have also been doing several creative writing exercises such as "Create a Picture" and "Story Swaps". Ask your children all about it!

Math:

We have been working on Fractions this past week. Students learned how to add, subtract and compare fractions. They have been practicing the multiplication facts. We have played multiplication Bingo, created multiplication rhymes and played a game called, "Roll Em" using dice. When we get back from Spring Break we will continue to focus on the multiplication facts.

Science/Social Studies:

Students have been learning all about Simple Machines. We have learned about Friction, Gravity and Magnetism. We conducted two experiments learning about how friction affects the speed of an object. Today we determined whether size and weight of an object affect the speed at which it falls. Students learned how to make hypotheses and graph the results. We had a great High Touch High Tech workshop where students created their own simple machine and put together several simple machines to create a complex machine.



Coming Attractions

March 26: Spring Break begins at end of day

April 6: School Resumes



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From The Teacher:

This week students decorated binders to send to the children in Alaska. They also wrote notes giving information about what school is like in Illinois, their hobbies and everyday life. The third graders loved being creative while sharing a little bit about themselves. I hope you all have a great Spring Break and see you back here in April!

From,
Mrs. Weil

Just a reminder of our class WIKI link:
<http://mrsweilswiki.wikispaces.com/>

